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Hydro-Québec plans to launch calls for tenders as of fall 2021

Hydro-Québec, in its distribution activities, would like to inform interested suppliers that it plans to launch calls for tenders as of fall 2021 in order to meet the long-term electricity needs of its Québec customers. Hydro-Québec is thus in compliance with the Québec government's proposed regulations on the issuance of calls for tenders. One call for tenders is for 480 megawatts (renewable sources) and the other is for 300 megawatts (wind power).

Prospective bidders can already take the following steps:

- 1- They can ask Hydro-Québec, in its transmission activities, to conduct an exploratory study for generating facility connection to obtain a parametric estimate of the costs and time limits in order to determine the project's feasibility and competitiveness.

To obtain an exploratory study, prospective bidders must fill out the form provided on the following website [in French only]:

<https://www.hydroquebec.com/data/transenergie/raccordement-reseau/formulaire-demande-etude-exploratoire.pdf>

The original must be sent to Hydro-Québec, in its transmission activities. A fixed cost of \$5,000, plus taxes, is payable via bank transfer when the request is submitted.

- 2- For wind power and photovoltaic projects, Hydro-Québec does not plan on requiring measurements taken using measuring instruments. However, interested suppliers are encouraged to take the necessary steps to obtain modelled data or, preferably, data obtained from measuring instruments installed on the site where the project will be located. During the bid evaluation stage, a weighting will be granted to the quality of the data used in order to determine the energy potential.

Information about Hydro-Québec, in its distribution activities, calls for tenders is provided at the following address:

<https://www.hydroquebec.com/electricity-purchases-quebec/>